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Even with a strong wind
blowing, I can feel his
breath on my neck...
warming my heart.

If only I could use
magic to make time
stop forever.



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...unable
to see my
future.

I tried
to run
away from
my
path in
life and
love...

THANK
YOU...

ARE YOU
SLEEP
YET?
ONLY
ON TOUR
OWNS

AFTER
TOKIWA-
BUN HELD
ME...

...I CARED
A LOT.

YEAH.

But then
I finally
returned
home...

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SPELLBOUND

*My name is Nami Matsuda. I'm a senior at Nagasaki Ryokansen High.
I'm a magic user who's never succeeded at casting a spell in her life.
I'd been doing my best forgetting about magic...
...and focusing on studies my last year of school...
...when a mysterious transfer student, Ryudora Tominaga, appeared.*

*He slugged one of my classmates his first day--
just because someone took his picture.*

*He brushes me off by calling me "magic user" instead of "Nami."
Still...*

*...I want to know more about him.
Why he is as kind as he is cruel.
He has me spellbound.*

*But then, the day before summer break...
...he told me to never come near him again.
It was that day...
...I realized I was in love with him.*

Step 16: Christmas Pledge



Step 16: Christmas Pledge





Bye by
ble...



At Kiyomasa's
place...

At Kiyomasa's
place...



And as the
season
changed
from Fall to
winter...



...I thought
him and I...



NAME



I'M
HAPPY
OUT
SIDE.

...I found
myself
again.



Ever
since that
day...

YES,
SIR.

GET ME
SOME
SUGAR.



...my heart
was like
the warm
spring sun.



After that
night, we
spent more
and more time
together...
and our
relationship
grew.







SO...
STILL NO
PLANS FOR
COLLEGE?

1P4 1P4 1P4

1P4 1P4 1P4

IT'S HARD
TO GET A
GOOD JOB
RIGHT OUT
OF HIGH
SCHOOL

NO,
SIR.

College Counselor
Office



I'VE ALSO
NOTICED YOU
HAVEN'T BEEN
WEARING
YOUR TIE
LATELY.

UH...

I'LL
MANAGE.



The
next
day.

NAMI
MATSUO-
SAN!

CONGRATULATIONS
ON YOUR
ACCEPTANCE TO
KANSU UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE!

OH
S-S-SORRY
NOT IN
FRONT OF
EVERYONE
PLEASE!

HAH!

Oooh!



WHAT'S THE
PROBLEM?

GIVE IT
OUT! IT'S
NOT THE
FEELING OF
ANYONE
IN THE CLASS OR
ANYTHING!

S-SORRY...

1P4 1P4 1P4



HEY,
WAIT
UP!

EP



OKAY.

MAKE SURE
YOU BUY
A NEW
ONE FOR
THE NEXT
INTERVIEW.



SORRY...
I KINDA
LOST IT...

YOU'RE
A LITTLE
YOUNG TO
BE GOING
SENSEI!



NO,
L.

YOU DID
YOU EVER
WASH
YOUR
HANDS?



LOOK, I
DON'T
NEED YOU
TO WORRY
ABOUT ME



JUST
LISTEN
TO ME
FOR A
SEC!



OW! YOU
STUPID
JEIK...

IT'S
NOT...

YOU'RE
BRUISING
ME
OFF 'CAUSE
I
DIDN'T
WASH
MY HANDS!!

WHAT!!



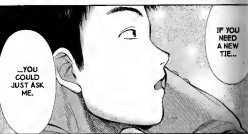
WHAT ARE
YOU DOING
AFTER
GRADUATION?

SO...



REALLY?
WHY? FOUR
GRADES
ARE GOOD.

WORK.



IF YOU NEED A NEW TIE...



SO NOTHING YOU SAY IS GONNA CHANGE MY MIND.

MONEY AGAIN, HUH?



IDIOT. I HAVE ENOUGH FOR A TIE.



I OVERHEARD...



WHY DO YOU NEED MONEY SO BAD?



HEH--



I'LL BE
BACK SOON,
SUMOMO-
CHAN!

OF
COURSE



YOU SURE
KNIT A LOT,
SUMOMO-
CHAN--



YEAH,
IT WAS
PURE!

AND
AFTERWARD,
THE SISTER
INVITED ME
TO CHRISTMAS
MASS!

HUH...



YOUR
BROTHER
WILL BE
VERY
HAPPY!

I'LL
TEACH YOU
HOW TO
ALTERATE
COLORS
NEXT TIME.



AAAAAAAAAAAA



AT THE
KAMI ISLAND
CHURCH. IT'S
BEAUTIFUL.
YOU'VE SEEN
IT, RIGHT?



T-TOM-
NANA-
KUN, ARE
YOU ENJOY
CHRISTMAS
ENY?

UM...



YEAH.



NAMII

CAN YOU HELP
US WITH OUR
CHRISTMAS
DECORATIONS?



I DON'T
KNOW
IF I'LL
FINISH IN
TIME...

I WISH
I WAS
BETTER
WITH MY
FINGERS.



I'M SO
HAPPY!!



OH MAN,
SHIP-NAMING
CEREMONIES
ARE SO
AWESOME!

THEY'RE LIKE
THE FIRST
STEP TOWARD
A HOPEFUL
FUTURE!



OH... I
SEE.



SORRY,
I...

I HAVE
TO WORK..



SO WE
CAN SPEND
CHRISTMAS
NIGHT
TOGETHER!

R-
REALLY?

YEAH..



BUT...
IF IT'S SOME-
THING
THE NEXT
NIGHT...

WHAT?





SILENT
NIGHT
♪



ALL IS
CALM...
♪



HOLY
NIGHT
♪



MIDTERM EXAMS
WILL BE
RIGHT
AFTER NEW
YEAR'S!

PATIENCE,
PEOPLE...
I HAVE
ONE
MORE
THING.

ALWAYS
VISUALIZE YOUR
PATH. KEEP IT IN
YOUR MIND AND
STAY FOCUSED.
YOU DON'T
EVER WANT TO
HAVE REGRETS,
ESPECIALLY
FROM HIGH
SCHOOL.



CLASS
DISMISSED
GO BE
FREE!

TOMINAGA-
KUN'S
ALREADY AT
WORK...









Step 17: First Date

I'll...

I'LL TAKE
YOU
HOME,
SO--

XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

December,
2006. It was
a perfectly
clear day.

I was
still
confused
...

YOU
CAN
STAY...

...JUST
A LITTLE
LONGER,
IF YOU
LIKE...

...because
I didn't
really know
Tomonaga-
kun that
well--

A day to
commemorate!

I was
overjoyed,
but...

Step 16: End





AH!

Tominaga-kun!

Oh!
Thanks!



Oh god...
We're completely lost!

I'M RIGHT ON TIME!
DID HE FORGET?
IS HE STILL COMING?

The first day
Tominaga-kun asked
me out on a date!



They seem to be lost...

Here...



.....

AH, LOOK AT THE TOURISTS.



This line must be
the right one,
I guess...

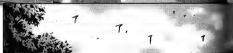


MAY I HELP YOU?

.....

But my English is so bad, I'd just make it worse.







IS
SOME-
THING
WRONG?

UH... NO,
NOTHING.



TOHARU
KURI!



TEAM AND
CHEAPER
TEAM IN
CHENATOWN.

SO, DO YOU
KNOW ALL
THESE SHOPS
WE'VE CALLED
YOU ABOUT?

THE
SPRING
ROLLS?
TEAM,
THEY ARE.



I PUT IN
ABOUT
TWO CUPS OF
CHICKEN
STOCK--



AK...

OH, AND
SPEAKING OF
CHINA, I'VE BEEN
TALKING WITH
MY MOM ABOUT
HOW TO MAKE
NARPOUSU!



... I FIGURED
YOU'D EAT
A LOT.



ARE YOU
NOT
HUNGRY?



REALLY?



UHMM
TEAM...



THAT'S
RIGHT.

I'VE
ONLY
SEEN
HOW MY
MOM
DOES IT,
BUT...
FIRST
WE--

AND THEN
I PUT THE
SESAME
OIL IN
AFTER
STEPPING
IT.



IT'S
BEEN TEN
MINUTES
ALREADY...



WHAT'S
TAKING
HIM...



OH...
REALLY?...
WELL, I
LIE...



Then
suddenly...



NEAR
SURE!

I'M GONNA
GO GRAB
SOME JUICE
JUST WAIT
FOR ME BY
THE BIKE,
OKAY?



...I'd
never
see him
again.

TOMBARA-
KUN



...that
someone...



...I get
vertical...



THE
WEATHER IS
PERFECT...







"There's
something
I want
to talk
about..."

WHOA! NOW
BEAUTIFUL!



HOW
THEY MET
AND SAID
SOMETHING...

...I
wanted
to do
today.



7UP.

THE DAY
IS SO
DIFFERENT
FROM THE
SEA



Sub--

...
Tomnaga-
kun was
to this...



...I wanted
to say how
precious...



...COME
ON,
LET'S
GO.

THE
TOMNAGA-
KUN...

That was
all I said.



...until the
day when
Tomnaga
said...

I
figured
I would
wait...



WHAT'S WRONG?



ENUTARO-
KUNI!



LOOK AT
THAT,



HUH
...?

IT'S
PROBABLY
STOLEN



I LIKE
THAT
ABOUT
HIM
♡

I've
seen it
before...

Tomorrow-
ton is pretty
improbable...



AH, ISN'T
THAT THE
SAME BIKE
AS YOURS?

WELL,
YEAH,
IT'S A
DIFFERENT
MODEL
BUT--



THAT'S
AN X.J.R.

SO THERE'S
A GOOD
CHANCE HE
MIGHT...



WHO THE HELL ARE YOU?

YOU MESSIN' WITH OUR BIKE?



YOU BETTER CALL KIDDIE, DARN IT!

I GOT IT! FIND A PHONE NEARBY!



OH MAN, OF COURSE!

THE COPS, JUST CALL 'EM ON YOUR CELL.

C-CALL WHO?



WE GOTTA CALL THEM SO THEY CAN FIND IT.

AND JUST RECENTLY FROM THE LOOKS OF IT...

SO WHAT SHOULD WE DO?



BUT THERE WAS A PAY PHONE NEARBY! I'LL GO FIND IT.



WHAT'S WRONG WITH THIS?



MY BATTERY'S DEAD.



BUT WE SHOULD CALL THE GUYS AND KICK THIS MORON'S ASS! JUST TO BE SAFE.



THIS GUY'S A MORON! I MEAN, HE'LL NEVER FIND THE OWNER, USNT?



WHAT THE...?



JEEZ, LOOK AT THIS MESS. THE MUFFLER'S BROKEN OFF.





...NOT
perfect at every-
thing he
tries.

Yoshida
knew.

I think I
under-
stood.

AND
MAYBE
THEY'LL
BEAT
ME UP
A BIT...

AND I
KNOW
THAT,
SO...

...I
CAN'T
JUST
LET
THEM
TAKE
IT.

...ESPECIALLY
THOSE
WHO ARE
HELPLESS.

BUT HE
REALLY
CARES
ABOUT
OTHER
PEOPLE'S
FEELINGS...

T
YOSHIDA-
DUN...



IT'S A
LOT
LIKE
HIM.

I DON'T
JUST MEAN
THE FIVE,
BUT THE
WAY IT'S
TAKEN
CASE OF

IT'S...

IT'S A
REALLY
IMPORTANT
LIKE TO
SOMEONE...





HUNT. HUNT. I SHOULD

BUT NO... I...

WE'LL GET IT TO THAT POLICE BOX!!

HEY, LET'S PUSH THE BIKE TOGETHER!

HUNT

HUNT

COME ON, LET'S GO. MAYBE BEFORE THOSE IDIOTS COME BACK.

HUNT

HUNT

I DIDN'T EVEN THINK ABOUT THAT... MAYBE THEY NOT-WIRED IT.

CRAY... YEAH

IT'S BETTER THAN WAITING HERE FOR THOSE GUYS TO GET BACK, RIGHT? COME ON, LET'S GO!



Not well...
understand...

And
gentle...

He was
so kind

JUST
HUNG
ON
TIGHT!



...for
whoever
needed
my help...

Ready and
able to do
whatever
needed to
be done...

...wondered
if...



...I could
even be
like that.



As for
me, I
really...

OKAY!



I was
worried
and nervous,
but
Tomihiko-
kun...

...was not
at that
terrifying...





I
WANTED
TO
RETURN
THE
FAVOR...



.....
//



THANK
YOU!
IT'S
JUST...
I'M SO
HAPPY,
I...



NO! IT
WAS...
PUN!!

AND
WE GOT
THE
BKE
TO THE
DOPS...

LOOK
AT
THAT.
THE
WHOLE
DAY'S
GONE.

I'M
SORRY
FOR
ALL
THAT.



WELL, I
DON'T
SEE
IT

IT'S
A
SCARY
MOMENT
OUTSIDE.

ALTHOUGH I
THINK THEY
NEED A BIT
SUSPICIOUS
OF US



I'M
GLAD
WE
DIDN'T
JUST
LEAVE
IT!

THE
OWNER
SOUNDED
REAL
HAPPY
ON THE
PHONE!



UH...
AH...
HERE!

YOU'RE
WONDERFUL!



...ADJUST
A BIT FOR
THE LOW
LIGHT...

I'LL JUST
ZOOM IN...



GOOD
NIGHT!

NIGHT



THIS WAS
REALLY...

PLEASE
SLOWLY,
HONEY

WOW...



...SO,
I'M
GONNA
HEAD
HOME.

OKAY.
THANKS!
THANKS FOR
EVERYTHING!



I'LL JUST
HAVE TO
STEAL A
SHOT WHEN
HE'S NOT
LOOKING...



I FORGOT
TO TAKE
HIS
PICTURES!

AHH!



WHAT
AM I
GONNA
DO NOW?

THAT
WAS
THE ONE
THING I
REALLY
WANTED
TO DO
TODAY!

Step 18: New Year's Eve



New
Year's
Eve...

And then
for some
reason,
as that
moment...



...I had the
same feeling I
had all day...



...take off
the scarf...

I was
filled
with
worry...

...concerned
that he'd
just...

ep.17:End



I HATE
TO RAIL
ON YOU,
BUT
WHAT
CAN I
DO?

I CAN'T
MAKE IT!
I'M TAKING
CARE OF
THE LITTLE
ONES THIS
YEAR.

OH-CHA, THE
TV BROKEN.

SORRY...



MY
HOMEWORK'S
NOT GOING
SO WELL...

I CAN'T
GO,
ETHEL.



I CAN'T
AFFORD
TO CATCH
A COLD
JUST
BEFORE
ENTRANCE
EXAMS...

WELL,
I GUESS
I COULD
BUT...



WELCOME.

ANYWAY...
I CAN'T
GO,
ETHEL.
I'M TOO
BUSY AT
HOME.

NET, JUST
BECAUSE
YOU'RE
CLASS
PRESIDENT
DOESN'T
MAKE IT
YOUR FAULT!



IT'S
ALL
RIGHT,
DON'T
WORRY
ABOUT
IT...

HELLO!
NAME, ARE
YOU EVER
LISTENING
TO ME?



Kosakuki-
senpai
organizes
the
traditional
first temple
visit of the
New Year.

I
SEE
—
NO, NOT
AT ALL.
I'D BE
GOING FOR
SO-THINGS
TODAY.



TOHIMASA
ISN'T
HOME...



It's our
last
year
of high
school.

Now I'm
really
worried.



I'LL JUST
CALL THE
OTHERS
TO SEE
WHO'S
GOING.

HEHE

I wanted
to go with
Tomisaga-
kun and
everyone
but...



HAHA! WHAT ARE YOU DOING? PUT SOME CLOTHES ON!

SORRY, MOM!

Could it be...?

Th-that sound—



T-TOMERAGA-KUN--!!



THIS TOTALLY SUCKS.

IT'LL JUST BE SENSEI AND I...

NO ONE ELSE IS COMING.



REALLY?!

THAT'S SO GREAT FOR HER!

I HAD TO RUN AN ERRAND AT THE STATION, SO I THOUGHT I'D DROP BY.



Y-YEAH!

I'm sensitive to the sound of glass falling.

NO, I'M NOT THE TYPE OF GUY...



That's right. This is the last year for him.

His returning night after we graduate—

But...

ALL MY LAST THOUGHTS WERE FOR YOU, MY FRIEND...

HA HA HA.

And he'd be crushed if I didn't go.

OKAY
CREATI

Honestly,
what is
with me?

Maybe my
worries are
all in my
mind. I have
to stop
overthinking
everything.

Tomiharu
fun is acting
so normal.

BUT...

His visit
made
me so
happy.

ALL
SCREEN
STILL
SHOULD
KNOW
ABOUT
THIS

YOU CAN
COME
WITH
ME TO
VISIT THE
TEMPLE—

ARE YOU
FREE
AFTER
THAT?

THANKS
FOR
STAYING
BY

YEAH... I
SHOULD.
SO I'M
GONNA GET
GOING,
THEN.

WHAT?

LATER...

OH
YEAH...
OKAY.
YOU
SHOULD
GET
BACK TO
HER.

SHE'S
FEELING
BETTER,
BUT I
SHOULDN'T
STAY OUT
TOO LONG.

YOU
KNOW...
AT THE
STATION,
SO...

I SAID...
I'LL HAVE
OTHER
ERRANDS
TO DO...

...GOING
OUT WITH
RYUTARO
TOMINAGA...

RIGHT?!

THUMP



SO I
KNEW I
JUST HAD
TO COME!

ARE YOU
TRYING TO
AVOID ME?
THAT'S
EXACTLY
CONCEITED
OF YOUR

JUST TO
ANNOY
YOU.



WE'RE HERE, NOW
THEY'VE ACCOMPLISHED
THEIR



COME ON
EVERYONE
LET'S GET
GOING.

I KNEW
YOU'D
COME IF
I DIDN'T
CALL. YOUR
TRAIT WAS
THE PLAN.



HOW
THAT
YOU
HAVE A
MAN...

YOU'RE
DIFFERENT
IF YOU
DIFFERENT,
MAN!



YOU'VE
CHANGED
A LOT,
MAN!

WAGA
MAN!

WHAT?



ガタン ガタン...





I SHOULD HAVE JUST ACCEPTED IT A LONG TIME AGO... BUT STILL IT HURTS TO HEAR IT.

REMEMBERING



HI TSUKAGI

SYING

REMEMBERING



THEY MIGHT EVEN BE A GOOD COUPLE...

KAMI AND TOMIYAMA KUN.



OKAY. THANK YOU.



OKAY



I HEAR THAT EVERYONE FALSED THEIR EXAMS... AND PLEASE LET SUMIOHARA-SAN GET WELL SOON... AND LET ME CALL TOMIYAMA KUN. TETARU-KUN. I CAN. HA HA HA.



AAA I'M FINISHED.

SYING

SYING

Hi Tsukagi... Why are you telling me of this?



WHERE'D THEY ALL GO?

HUN?

REMEMBERING



FOR THE REST OF MY LIFE...

I FEEL NO ONE IS BY YOUR SIDE NOW.



HA HA HA

REMEMBERING



I'M S-
SORRY

SHHHHHHHHHH



SHHHHHHHHHH



BUT...

...FOR SAYING
THAT...
...JUST
BEFORE EXAMS...



WHAT?



EEKO



SHHHHHHHHHH



I... KID
SO
IDEA...
I
MEAN, IT
ALL...



WHAT
DID YOU
JUST--?

PLEASE
DON'T
LOOK
AT MEH!



I-I...

I...
LOVE
YOU.









NAME--

H-HHEY
EVERYONE!



W-WHAT'S
NEEDING
WHAT
HAPPENED?

DAMN IT.



JUST
SHUT
UP! THIS
DOESN'T
INVOLVE
YOU!

KATOGU
ARE YOU
BOTHERING
NAMI
AGAIN?

THE
GLASS
IS ALL
HERE.



UN-
HAPPY

HMPH!
SOCIETY
HAS
NOTHING
TO DO
WITH
THAT!



JEET!

LIKE WE
NEEDED
TO HEAR
THAT!



NOW
THEN
I'M OFF
TO THE
LITTLE
BOYS'
ROOM



WHAT IS
IT THAT
LAUNGA,
SAYS IN YOUR

WHAT?
LOOK AT
YOU, ALL
CONFIDENT
BECAUSE
YOU'RE IN
LOVE

YOU'VE
BECOME
INTERESTING,
NAMI?



HMPH!

SO, HAVE
YOU
GUYS...
YOU
KNOW...



ANYWAY,
NAMI, YOU
SURE ACTED
LIKE A BIG
SHOT EARLIER
WITH YOUR
DECLARATION
OF LOVE.

I CAN'T
BELIEVE
YOU
TALKED
TO ME
LIKE
THAT!

NAMI



...may
grace be
with all
of us.

And...





He came
all this
way just
to...

THREE IS A
STAMP OF
ADDRESS.

His
bike!

AND
HAPPY
NEW
YEAR
TO YOU,
TOO.

THANK
YOU...

He's
not
here...

AAA...
ONE LINE
THERE
AFTER
ANOTHER...

THIS IS
THE MOST
DOING
NEW
YEAR'S
EVE!!

SO WE HAVE
A LOW-
PRESSURE
SYSTEM
POURING
OVER
KRAUSAU
THIS
AFTERNOON.

I KNEW HE
WOULDN'T
FORGET!

Happy New Year.
Tominaga

HEY,
SISI!

THIS
WAS
IN THE
MAILBOX.

HUNT?

WHY THE HELL IS SOME LAWYER THANKING MY FATHER ABOUT TOMINAGA?

YOKOCHANG ARE WE TALKING ABOUT THE SAME "TOMINAGA"?

HUH...

DIDN'T ANYONE SEND ME A CARD AS COOL AS MINE?!

浜浦 勲 様

THIS IS ADDRESSED TO DADDY...

Kayoko's Annual New Year's Card



We riding a shark!

I'D BETTER JUST--

OH, DADDY! IT'S LATE!

WASNT THE YEAR 12 THIS?

Happy New Year. Blah, blah, blah... Sorry for all the trouble this year. Thank you for the help, and please continue your efforts with Tominaga.

TOMINAGA?

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昨年ば 色々有難うございました。
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KYUURO
TOMINAGA

YOU'RE THE
GREATEST!!!



YOKOHAMA TOMINAGA LAW

Goodo

THAT
ACCIDENT!

HOLY
CRAP
THIS
IS...

WHAT
IS
THIS...?



HA
HA
HA
HAI

IT ALL
MAKES
SENSE.

NOW
I GET
IT...

Step 19: The Past Will Always Find You



Step 18: End







The End of a Future Superstar

I'M IN SHOCK HERE.

Ace Pitcher Etsuko Hasegawa Dies in Accident.

How can this be—?

How...



子さんの宅急便！
取寄せ！

THE FUTURE STAR HAS DIED.

IT THE FUTURE STAR DIED?

EVERONE KNOWS ABOUT THAT ACCIDENT!



DON'T PROUDLY ME, OKAY?



SO THAT'S WHY WE'D NEWS...



TOMIYAMA...

Oh my... I had...

I had no idea...



Etsuko Hasegawa, star high-school pitcher, was involved in a fatal accident on his way to school.

THIS WAS A YEAR OR SO AGO, I THINK.

IT MADE THE NATIONAL NEWS...

He was taken to the Tokyohama Hospital, but...



...the driver of the car who caused the collision, Mrs. Tatsuko Tomiyama...

The driver of the car who caused the collision, Mrs. Tatsuko Tomiyama...



...SO MUCH FUN!

THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT NAMI IS REVEALING THEM



W- WHAT'RE YOU DOING, NAMI!



SWOOSH



WHAT THE HELL IS THIS?



NAMI, STOP!



YOU DON'T NEED TO LOOK AT THESE!!!



WHAT ARE THEY DOING?

BUT...

YOU KNOW...



EVERYONE HAS A PART...

...AND THINGS THEY WANT TO KEEP SECRET!



LOOKING FOR...

JOHNNIE LEFT!

WHY DID YOU DO THIS?



WHAT IS
GOING ON IN
HERE?



SEANDIRA
KOSHA



NOTHING.
NOTHING
AT ALL.



LET
ME
GO!!

SHE'S
NOT
WORTH
IT!



STOP
IT,
NAMI!



YOU
PAINT
LITTLE
MAGIC
USER

WHY
DON'T
YOU
TRY
SOME
SPELLS...

SEEMS
YOUR
POWERS
AREN'T
UP TO
MINE!

HA
HA
HA
HA!



NO!

NAMI!



9/11

9/11 9/11 9/11



TELL US
HOW
YOU FEEL
RIGHT
NOW!

HAVE YOU
PAID YOUR
RESPECTS TO
HASEGAWA?

YOU'RE
SETSUKO'S
KID, EIGHT.

IS IT TRUE
THAT YOUR
MOTHER'S
LICENSE WAS
EXPIRED?



I may not
be able to
fix this,
but...

I...

Where
are you?

...at least
I can be
with you...















WHAT'S WRONG?
THAT
WAS THE LAWYER,
WASN'T IT?



RECEIVED
RECEIVED



...
NEED TO
GO TO
YOKOHAMA
TOMORROW.

L...
L...



YEAH...
I HAVE
TO MEET
KANDA-
SENSEI
BEFORE
VISITING
MOM'S
GRAVE..



RECEIVED
RECEIVED



WILL
APPEAR
L...

...
KEEPING
THINGS
FROM
ME,
HAVEN'T
YOU?

...YOU'VE
BEEN
LYING
TO ME
ALL THIS
TIME...



THE
WHOLE
TIME!





Tanioka-
kun's past...
what he went
through...



WHAT
NOW?



He's
suffering
so much...



WHAT
THE
HELL DO
I DO?



Is there
some-
thing...



Anything I
can do for
him...?



...can I do
for him?

Step 20: Beyond the Stray Path

Step 19: End



The next day...

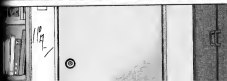


Chapter 20: Beyond the Stray Path



I want
so
badly...

...Just to
help him!





YEAH, I'M.

I'M FINE, I'M OKAY.

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
AFTER THAT, WE
WERE ALL GO—



WHAT'S GOING
ON WITH TOMENAGA-
KUN?

I DIDN'T THINK
YOU'D EVER
COME IN
TODAY.

THAT'S GOOD
BUT...



IT'S
MUST BE
AWFULLY
HARD.

IT'S
SOME-
WHAT.



...TO
KEEP
PEOPLE
OUT
ALL THE
TIME...

...BUT
NOTHING
LIKE THIS...

I FIGURE
THERE MUST BE
SOMETHING
UP WITH
HIM...



FLIGHT
BOY TO
JANEDA
IS NOW
SOMEONE



YOU'VE
BEEN
LYING
TO ME
ALL THIS
TIME.



ALL
PASSENGERS
FOR FLIGHT
BOY, PLEASE
REPORT TO
THE GATE
IMMEDIATELY.

NAME!

NAME!



I FEEL
SO SORRY
FOR YOU.

RYUICHO,
I HEAR...

I WOULD
HAVE LOVED TO
HAVE SEEN HIS FACE.



WHAT?

BECAUSE NO
MATTER WHAT
HAPPENS AND
WHAT YOU
DO, NO ONE
CARES ABOUT
YOU... NO
ONE WORRIES
ABOUT YOU.



REALLY
I FEEL
SORRY
FOR PEOPLE
LIKE YOU.



YOU
THINK
I WANT
PEOPLE
TO WORRY
ABOUT ME?

HOW
STUPID
ARE YOU?

WHAT?



RAMI
YOU TELL
RYUICHO
WHAT I
SAID.

AND I
KNOW
WE STILL
HAVE OUR
ENTRANCE
EXAMS, BUT...

WITH THE
GRADES
HE GOT,
IT ALWAYS
SEEMED
ODD TO ME
THAT HE WAS
WORKING.



WE'RE ALL
CLASSMATES,
EIGHTH
EIGHTH!

...WE ALL
GRADUATE
TOGETHER!

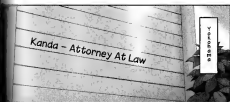


WHAT IS
"LITTLE
MISS
MAGIC
USER"
DOING
HERE?



HITOGAKI
RAMI.

EVERYBODY,
MYSTER...





THEY WERE ALL DEAD.

...MONEY FROM HIS EARNINGS...

ALWAYS SENDING LETTERS AND...



I JUST COULDN'T STOP HIM...

I UNDERSTOOD WHY HE NEEDED TO BUY...



HUNT

...WE WERE ALL DUE TO GO TO YOKOHAMA TOMORROW.



THE MORE I TRY TO REMEMBER...

OH...

THIS WEEKEND IS THE ANNIVERSARY OF THEIR MOTHER'S DEATH.



IT THAT IS...

I MEAN... I KNOW MOST OF WHAT HAPPENED, BUT...



I THOUGHT THAT IF YOU GRADUATED FROM HIGH SCHOOL, YOU'D GET A BETTER-PAYING JOB.

UM...

THE LAWYER MADE IT VERY CLEAR THAT HE WAS NEVER TO CONTACT THEM--



HE'D LIKE HIS LITTLE BROTHER HE WAS OPPRESSING HIM ON THE SIDE...

RYU-CHAN HAS A STRONG SENSE OF RESPONSIBILITY.



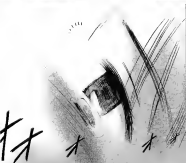
IT'S THE SAME DAY HE DIED, OF COURSE...

IT'S A SAD TIME.











At that
very
moment...

...I
looked
up to
the
sky.





Tominaga-kun...

...has given me so many things...



...kindness...

Feeling of love...

...pain...



And I simply stared...

...just stared into space...



...magic.

It was like...





I NEED TO GO
TO YOKOHAMA
TOMORROW...
BY MYSELF!

JUST LET
ME GO...



Tomihaga-
kun--!!



ONLY
YOU
CAN
DO?



BUT...
THERE ARE
THINGS
ONLY I
CAN DO.



SWEETHEART, I
UNDERSTAND.
I DO. BUT
YOU'LL JUST
GET IN THE --

HAIR!
I
WILL
I
DON'T
KNOW.



MOM,
PLEASE!!!

BUT TH-
THAT'S...



WHAT!
YOU
WANT
TO...?







It had
been a
while...
years,
really...

It was
just
me and
Dad in
the car.

...I finally
understand
the words...

But...

And Dad
put a lot of
pressure
on me over
my magic...

...that my
father sold
to me so
long ago...



AND... RYU-
SAN'S VERY
IMPORTANT
TO ME,
TOO!

BUT, SIS,
PLEASE...
JUST TAKE
CARE OF
YOURSELF.





THIS IS
AS FAR
AS I CAN
TAKE
YOU.



DAD...



THE REST
IS UP TO
YOU.



THANK
YOU.



FOR MAGIC
TO TRULY
WORK, IT
MUST SERVE
OTHERS.



LISTEN TO
ME, HAREL.
THIS IS
EXTREMELY
IMPORTANT.

NO,
THAT'S
NOT IT!



THE MAGIC
OF ALL
MAGIC
USERS...

...IS BORN
FROM A
HEART THAT
DESIRES TO
HELP OTHERS!
TO MAKE
OTHERS' DREAMS
COME TRUE.



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